

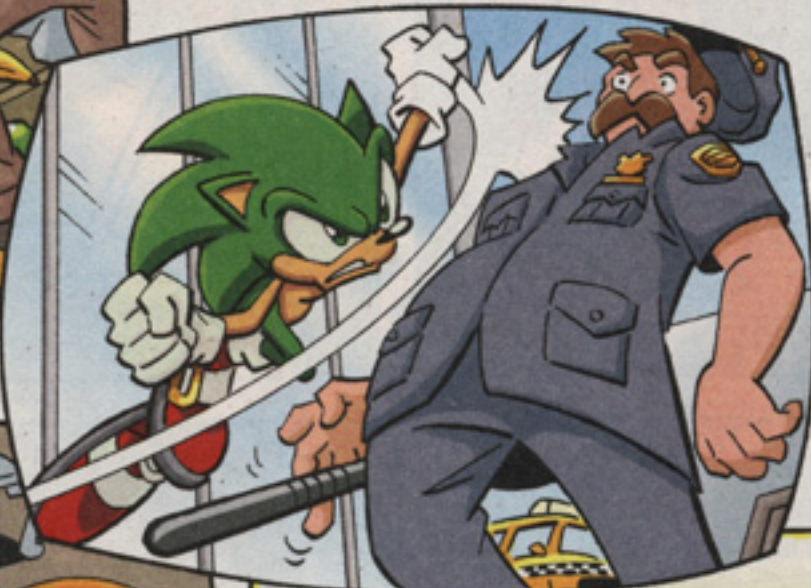
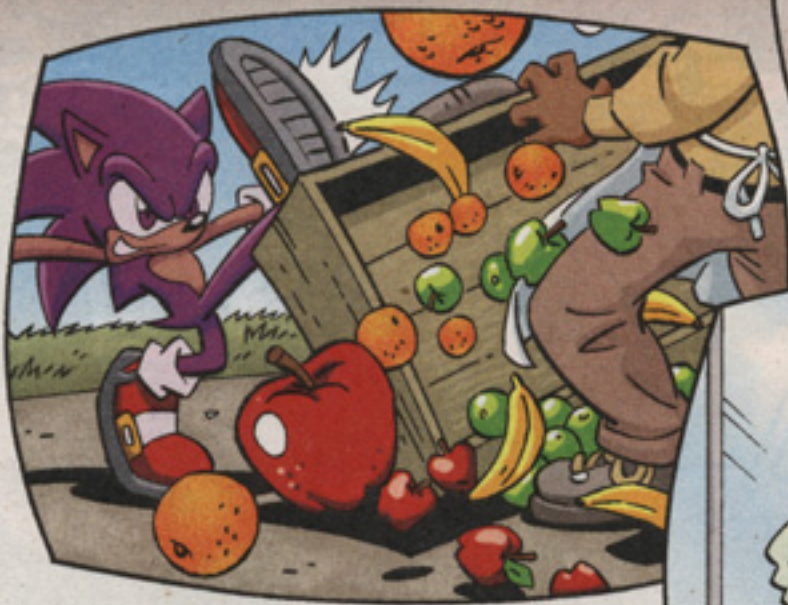
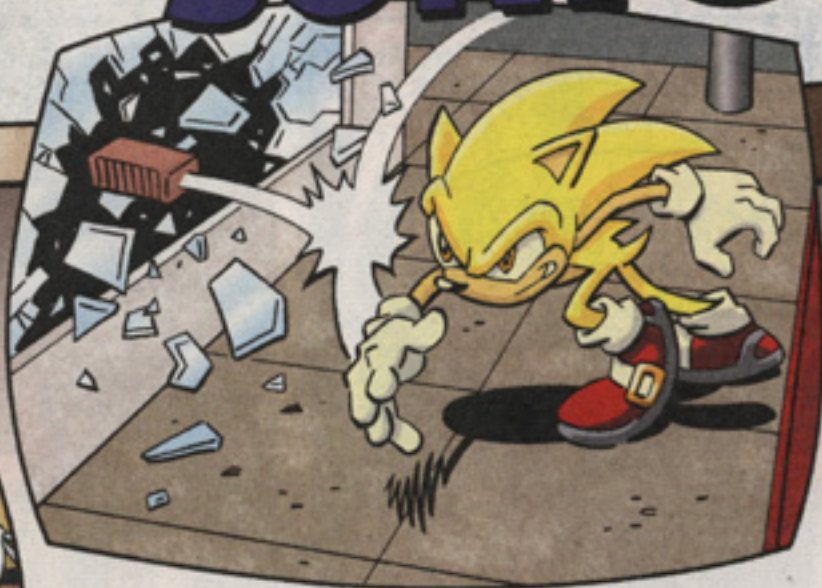


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THIS IS
SCARLET GARCIA
 WITH BREAKING NEWS.
 WE ARE RECEIVING
 REPORTS OF **MULTI-
 COLORED SONICS**
 CAUSING MAYHEM
 ALL OVER STATION
 SQUARE.

THE COLOR SONIC



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WE HAVE
REPORTS OF
FIVE SONIC-LIKE
HEDGEHOGS
RUNNING AMOK.
ARE THEY
CONNECTED TO THE
OTHER-WORLDLY
HERO? AND, MORE
IMPORTANTLY--
WHO CAN
STOP THEM?

OH, MY
GOOD-
NESS!

CHAO-
CHAO!

YOU DON'T KNOW ANY
OF THOSE HEDGEHOGS
...DO YOU, MR. SONIC?

NO WAY, CREAM.
BESIDES LOOKING
IN A MIRROR, I'VE
NEVER SEEN THEM
BEFORE.

BUT THEY LOOK JUST
LIKE YOU! THEY AREN'T
DISTANT RELATIVES?

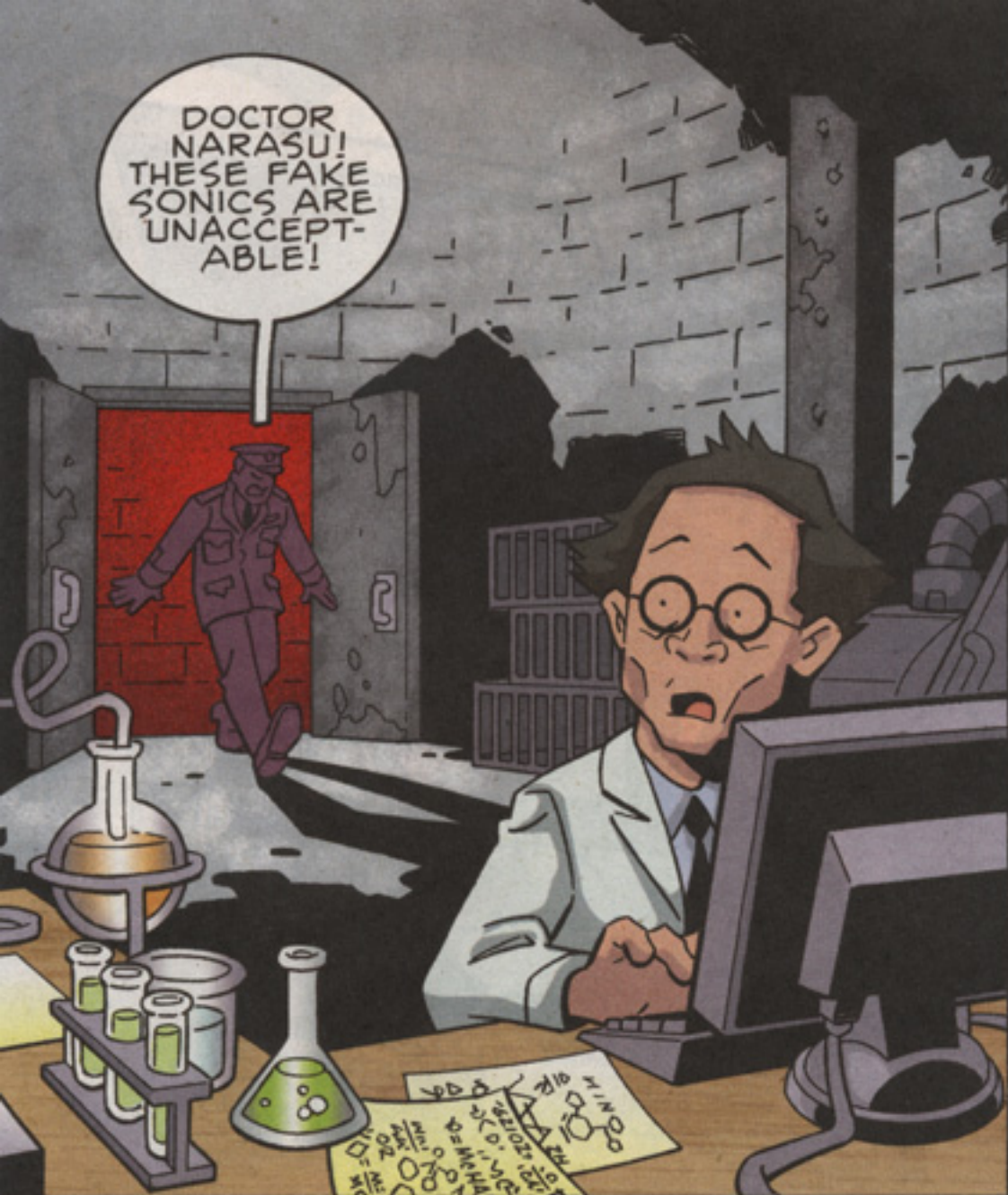
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KNOW WHO
THEY ARE...

...BUT I
INTEND TO
FIND OUT!

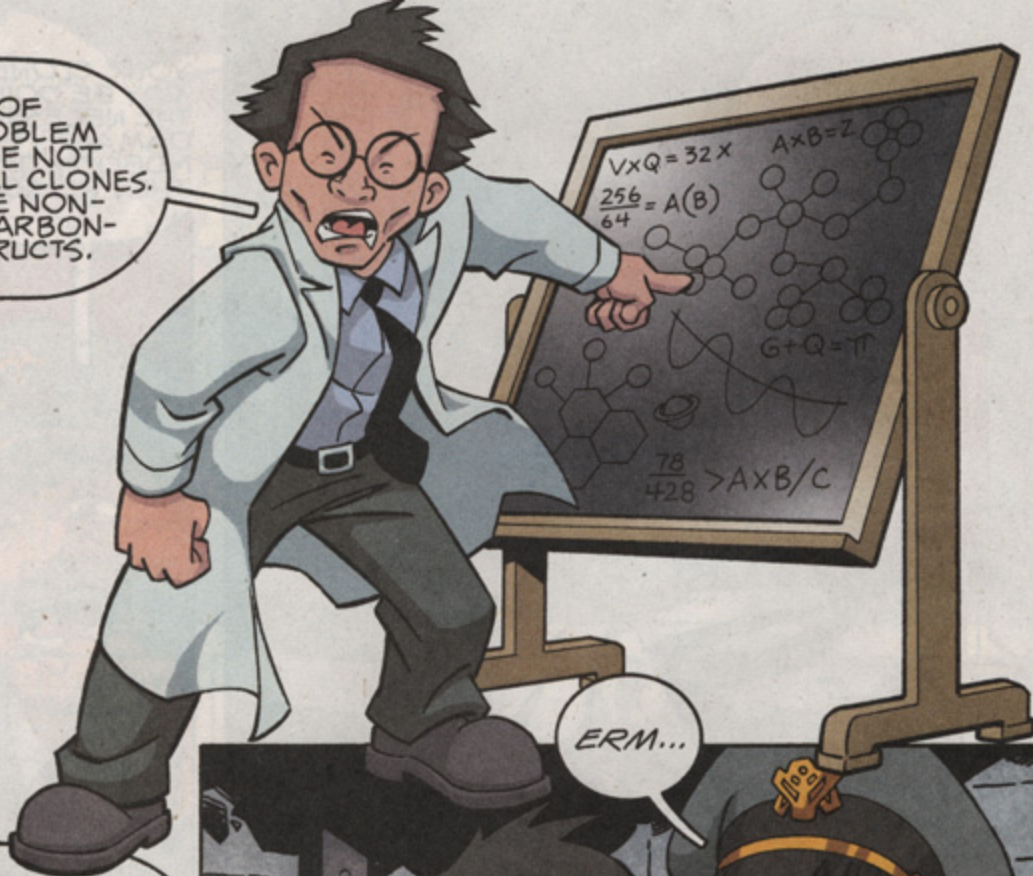
WAIT!
SHOULDN'T
WE CALL THE
OTHERS?

YOU CAN
IF YOU
WANT...

...BUT THIS
IS KIND OF
PERSONAL. THESE
FAKE SONICS ARE
UNACCEPTABLE.



PART OF THE PROBLEM IS THEY'RE NOT EVEN REAL CLONES. THEY'RE NON-LIVING CARBON-CONSTRUCTS.



ERM...

THINK OF THEM AS ONE OF OUR MINDLESS ROBOTS, ONLY THEIR PARTS ARE MADE OF ORGANIC MOLECULES INSTEAD OF METAL.

DO YOU KNOW HOW HARD IT IS TO ASSEMBLE SOMETHING LIKE THAT? TO DO IT WITH ALMOST NO TIME AND NO BUDGET?! AND YET I *STILL* MADE NEAR-PERFECT COPIES!



BUT YOU COULDN'T MAKE THEM BLUE?!?



I'M WORKING ON IT!

HEY!

WHAT IS IT, HECTOR?

IF YOU TWO ARE DONE DANCING, THE ORGANIZER HAS AN UPDATE FOR US.

SORRY FOR THE DELAY, SIR! WHAT'S THE SITUATION?

THE PLAN HAS MANAGED TO DRAW SONIC OUT INTO THE OPEN. I WILL PATCH A LOCAL NEWS FEED THROUGH.

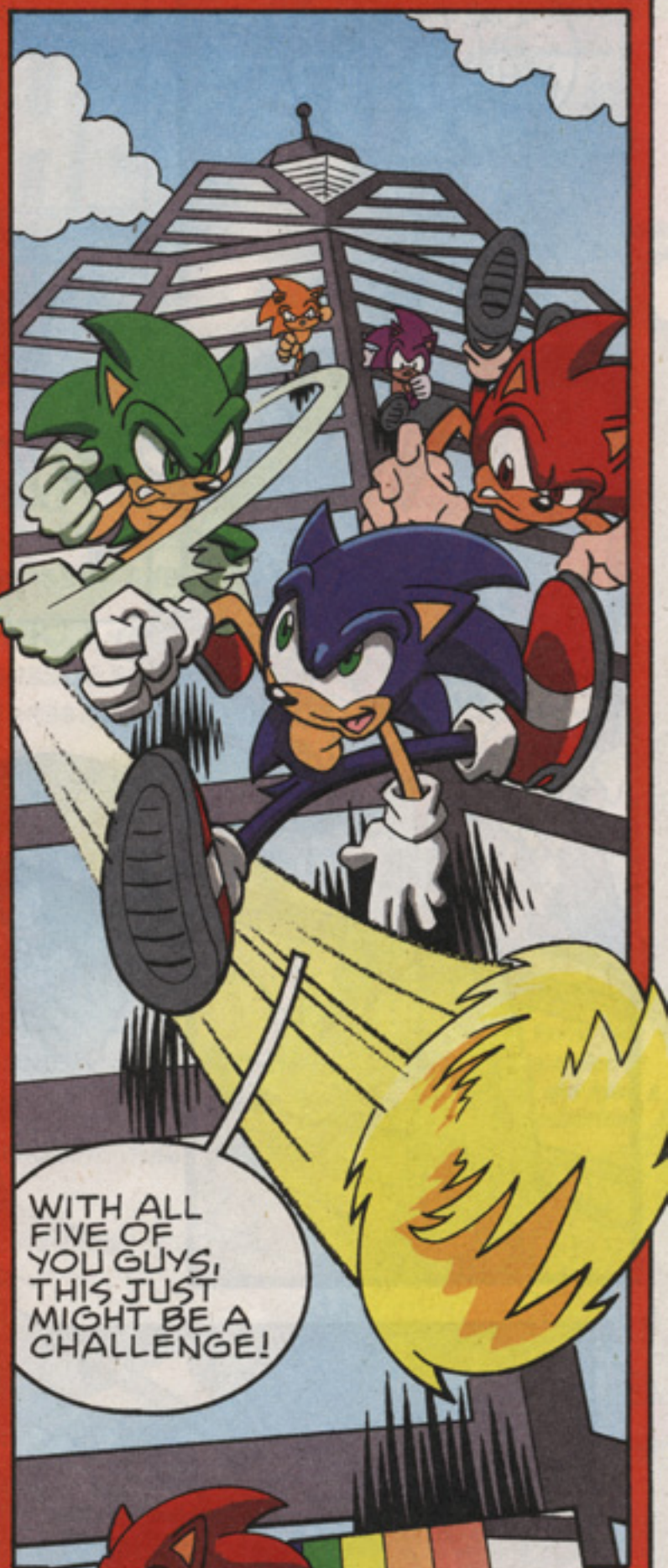
THIS IS BREAKING NEWS FROM SCARLET GARCIA! IN ORDER TO CLEAR HIS NAME, WORLD-RENOWNED HERO SONIC THE HEDGEHOG HAS PUBLICLY CHALLENGED THE MULTI-COLORED HEDGEHOGS!

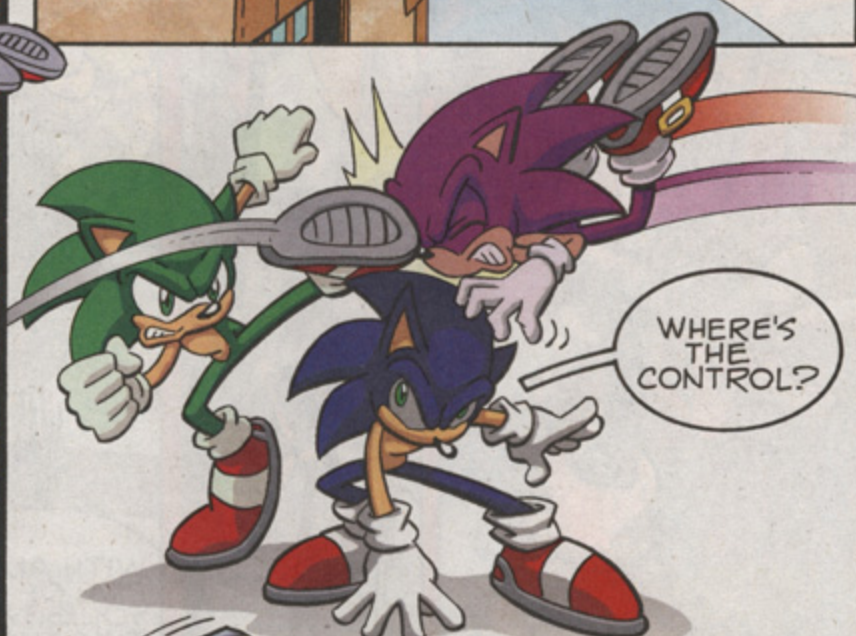
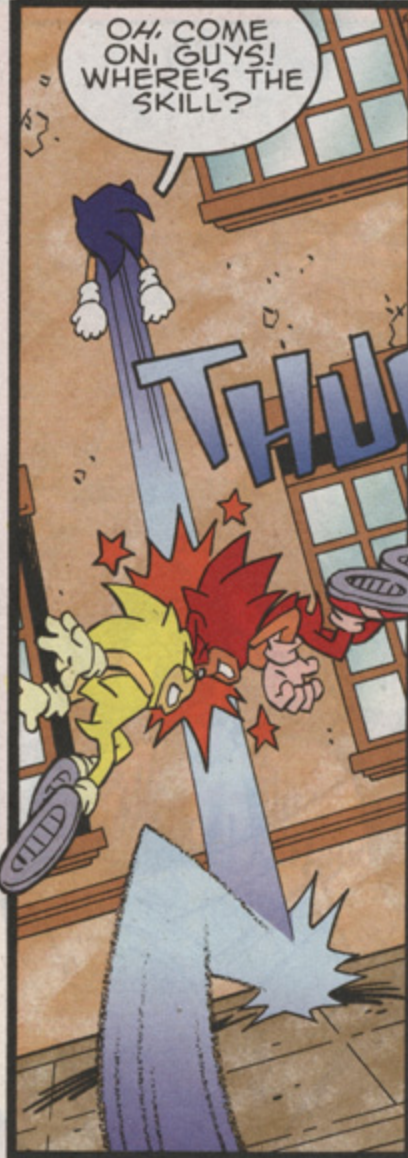
WELL-- WELL-- WELL...

SHOULD I STOP THE NEXT DUPLICATE ...?

NO. GO AHEAD AND FINISH IT. BUT IF OUR LUCK HOLDS OUT...







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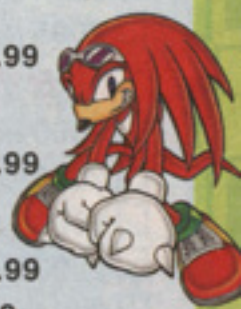
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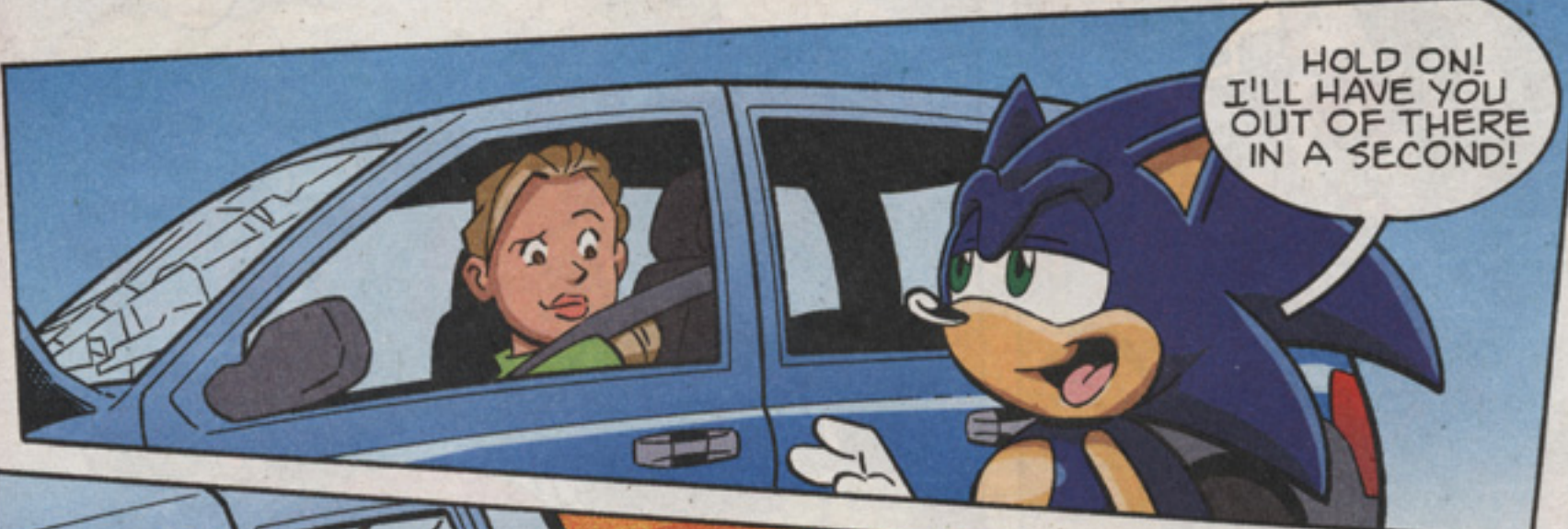
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OUT OF THERE
IN A SECOND!



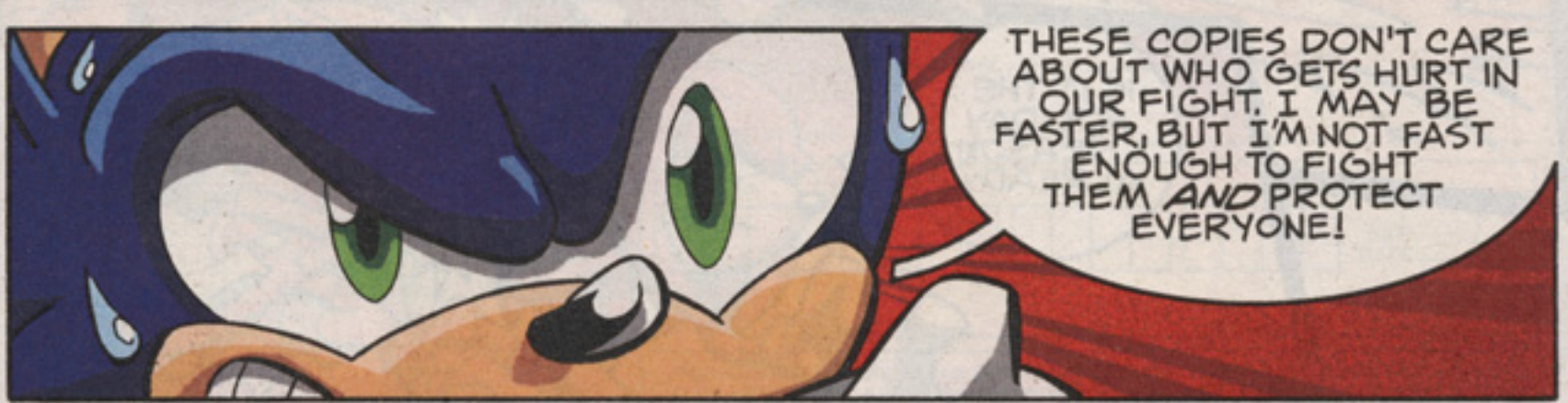
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TIME-OUT!
I'VE GOT
PEOPLE
TO SAVE!

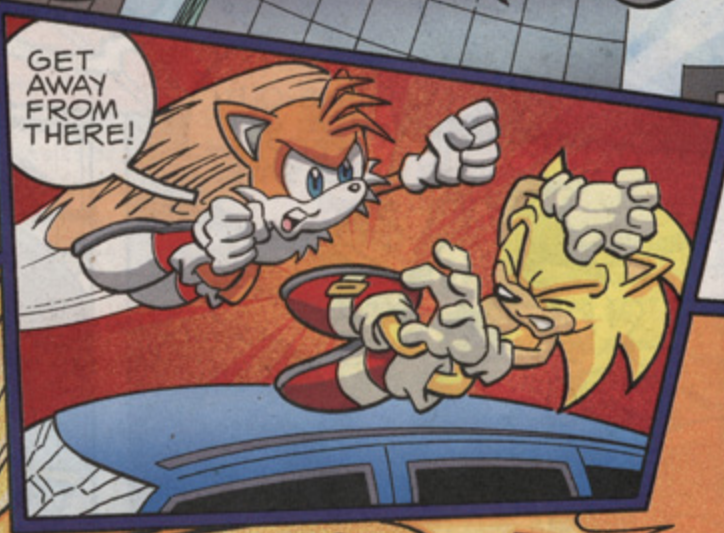
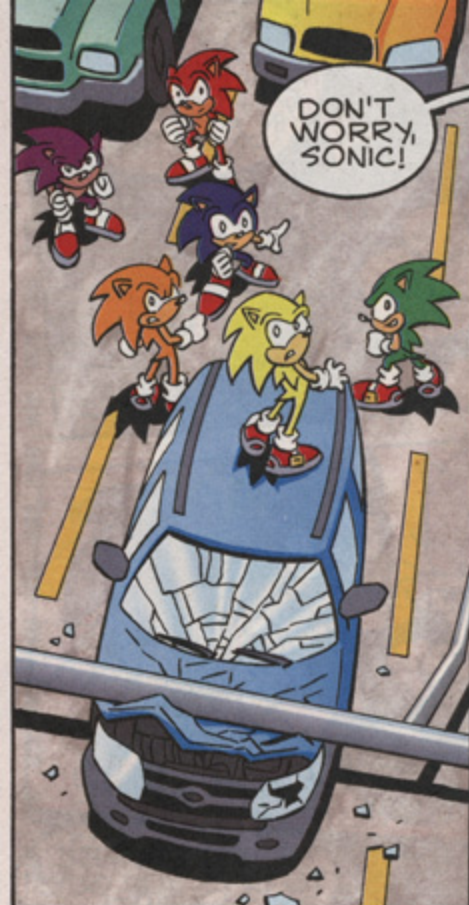


HEY! I PROMISE
TO GIVE YOU GUYS
A FIGHT!

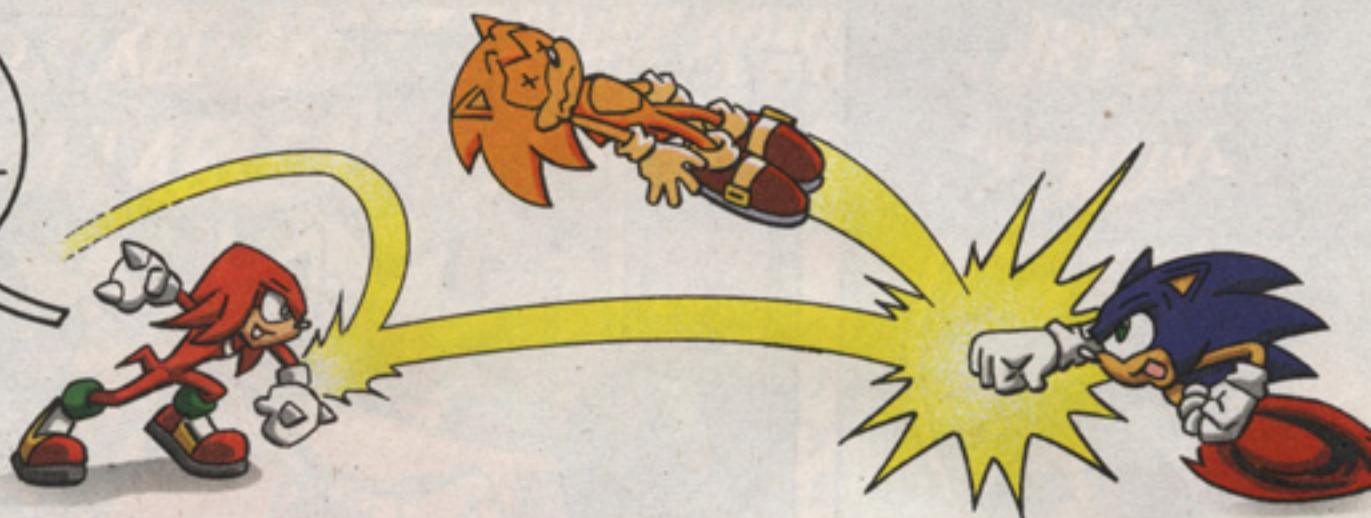
JUST LET
EVERYONE
ELSE GET OUT
OF THE WAY!



THESE COPIES DON'T CARE
ABOUT WHO GETS HURT IN
OUR FIGHT. I MAY BE
FASTER, BUT I'M NOT FAST
ENOUGH TO FIGHT
THEM AND PROTECT
EVERYONE!



WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH YOU, SONIC? THESE COPIES AREN'T THAT TOUGH.



NO, BUT THEY CAN STILL HURT EVERYONE ELSE.

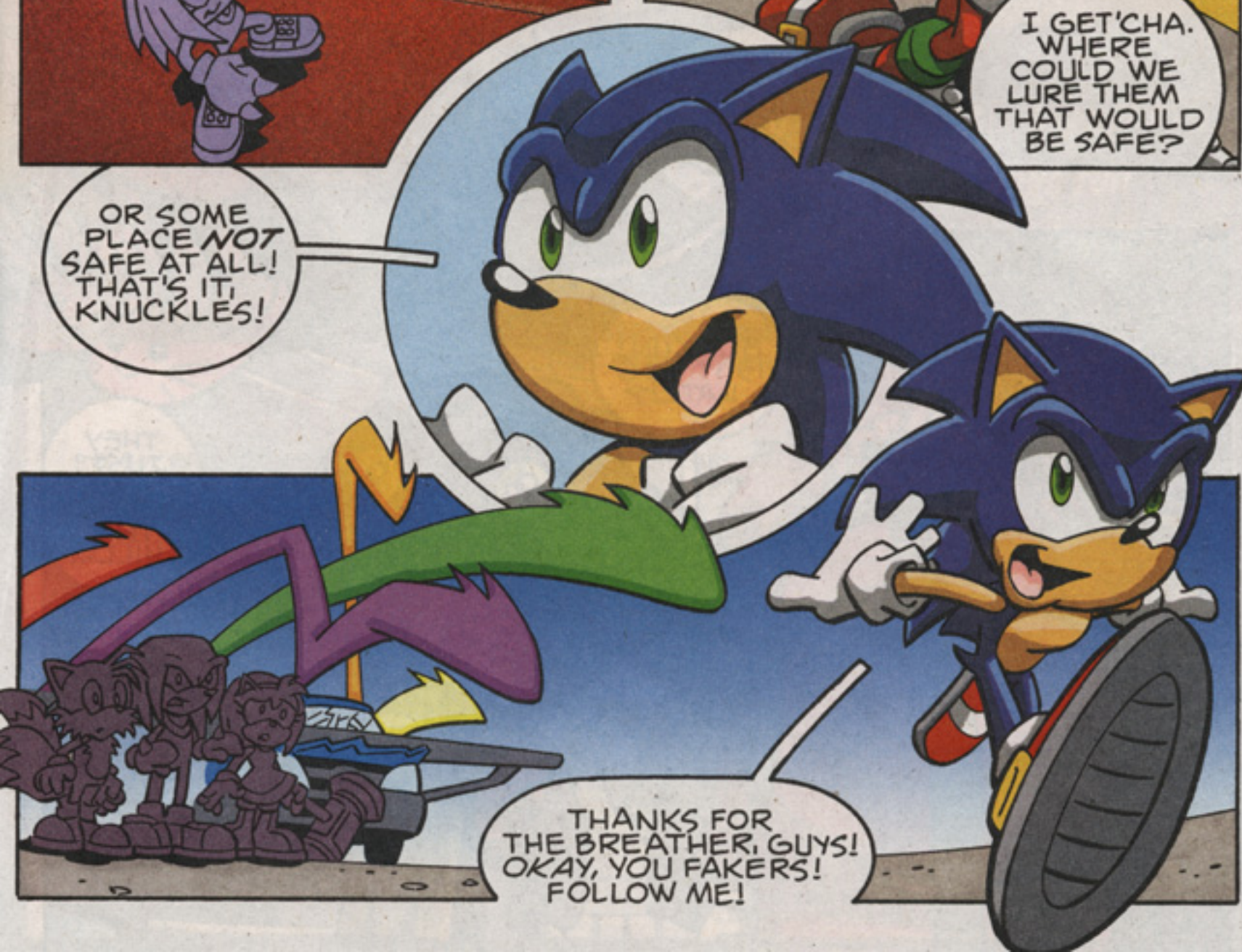


I DON'T WANT ANYONE GETTING HURT BECAUSE OF MY FIGHT.

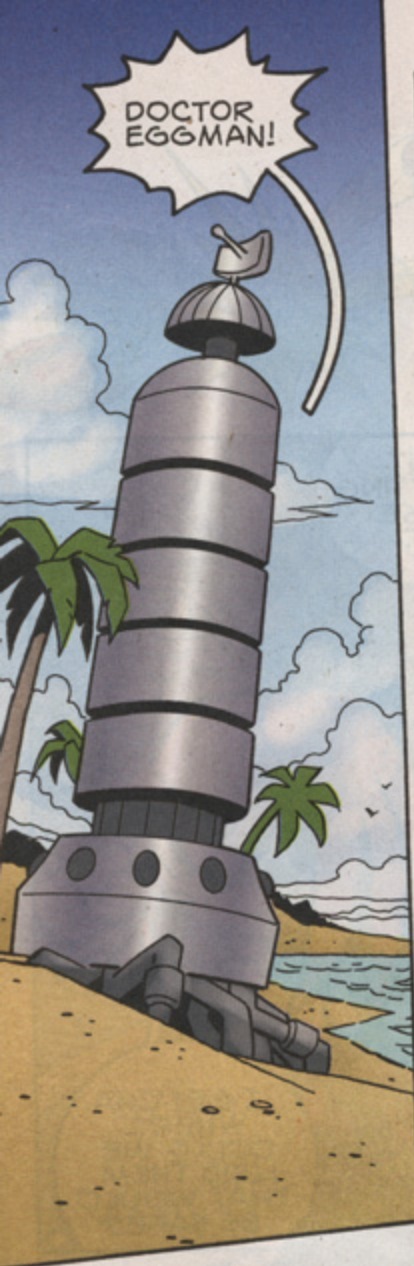


I GET'CHA. WHERE COULD WE LURE THEM THAT WOULD BE SAFE?

OR SOME PLACE NOT SAFE AT ALL! THAT'S IT, KNUCKLES!



THANKS FOR THE BREATHER, GUYS! OKAY, YOU FAKERS! FOLLOW ME!



DOCTOR
EGGMAN!



WAKE UP,
DOCTOR!

SZZNRK...?

WE HAVE AN
EMERGENCY!



PLEASE
WAKE UP!
WHY DOES HE
HAVE TO BE SUCH
A HEAVY
SLEEPER?

WHY
DOES HE
HAVE TO BE
SO HEAVY
AT ALL?



BOKKUN!
IS IT TOO
LATE!?

THEY
JUST CAME
OVER THE
HILL...

IT'S AN
ARMY OF
SONICS!

THIS
MUST BE A
NIGHT-
MARE!

SO SONIC THINKS
HE CAN BEAT ME
WITH AN ARMY OF
CLONES IN MY
NIGHTMARE? HA!
IN HIS DREAMS!

I KNEW
I COULD
COUNT ON
YOU, DOC!

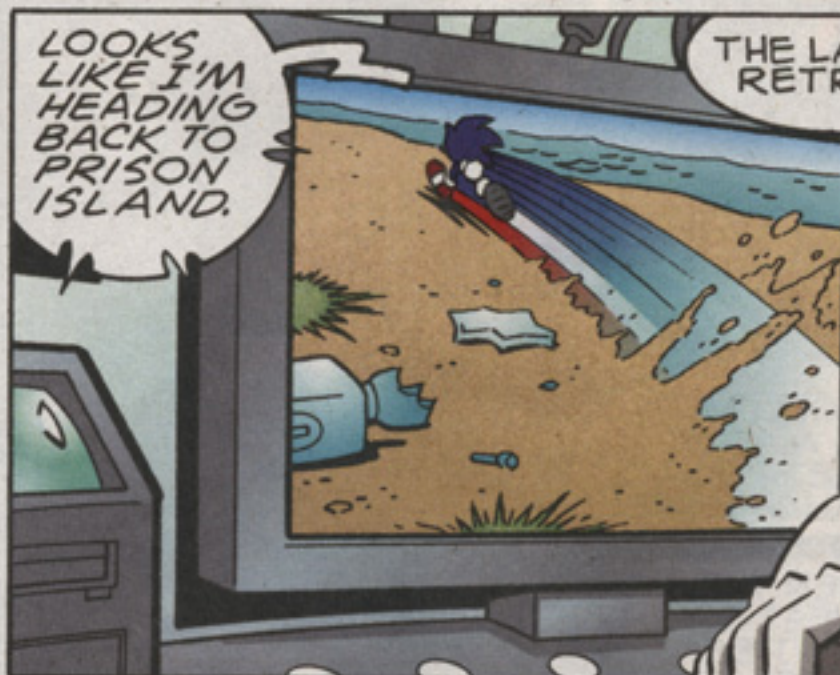




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S.O.N.I.C. X. IS AN ANTI-SONIC
GROUP FIRST SEEN IN SX#23!



WAIT...THAT SHADOWY
GROUP OF GUYS?
THEY KEPT THAT
TEAM NAME?



LOOKS
LIKE I'M
HEADING
BACK TO
PRISON
ISLAND.

THE LAST ONE IS
RETREATING...

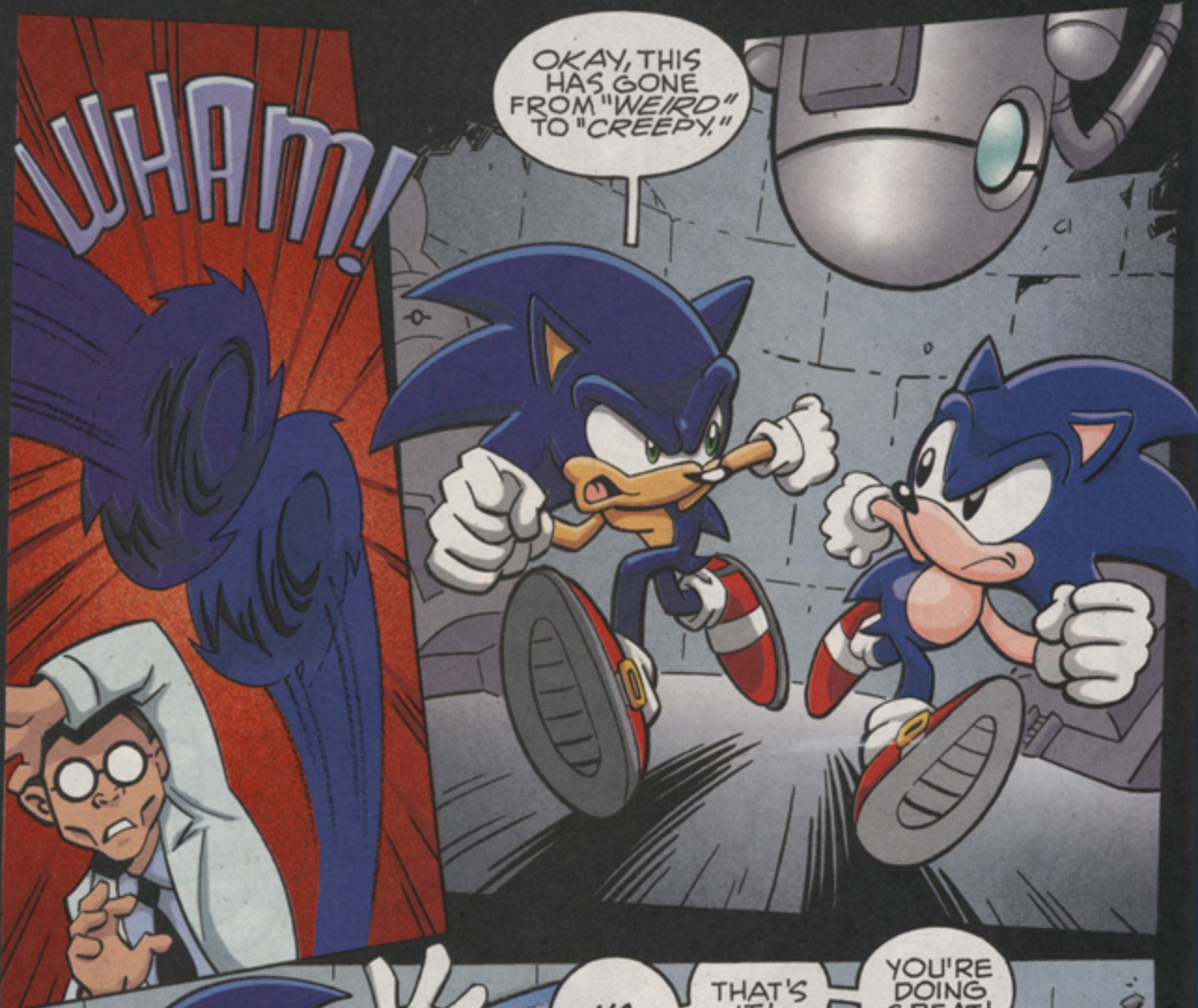


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FOR MY TERRIBLE
DREAM. I NEED TO
CUT OUT THESE
MID-DAY NAPS...



AT LEAST
I GOT
THE COLOR
RIGHT!







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WE GOT HIM!
THERE'S NO WAY
WE COULD'VE
MISSED!



LOOK!
THERE'S
NOTHING
LEFT OF
HIM BUT
A SHOE!

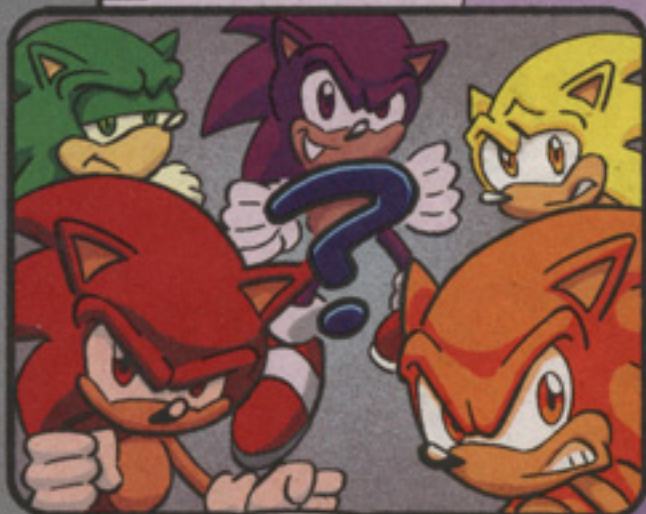
EXCELLENT,
HECTOR.
I WANT A
TROPHY
OF OUR
VICTORY.
...WAIT...



THANKS
FOR TAKING
CARE OF HIM
FOR ME, GUYS.
THAT ONE
WAS ACTUALLY
TOUGH.

WHOO-HOO-
HA-HA-HA!

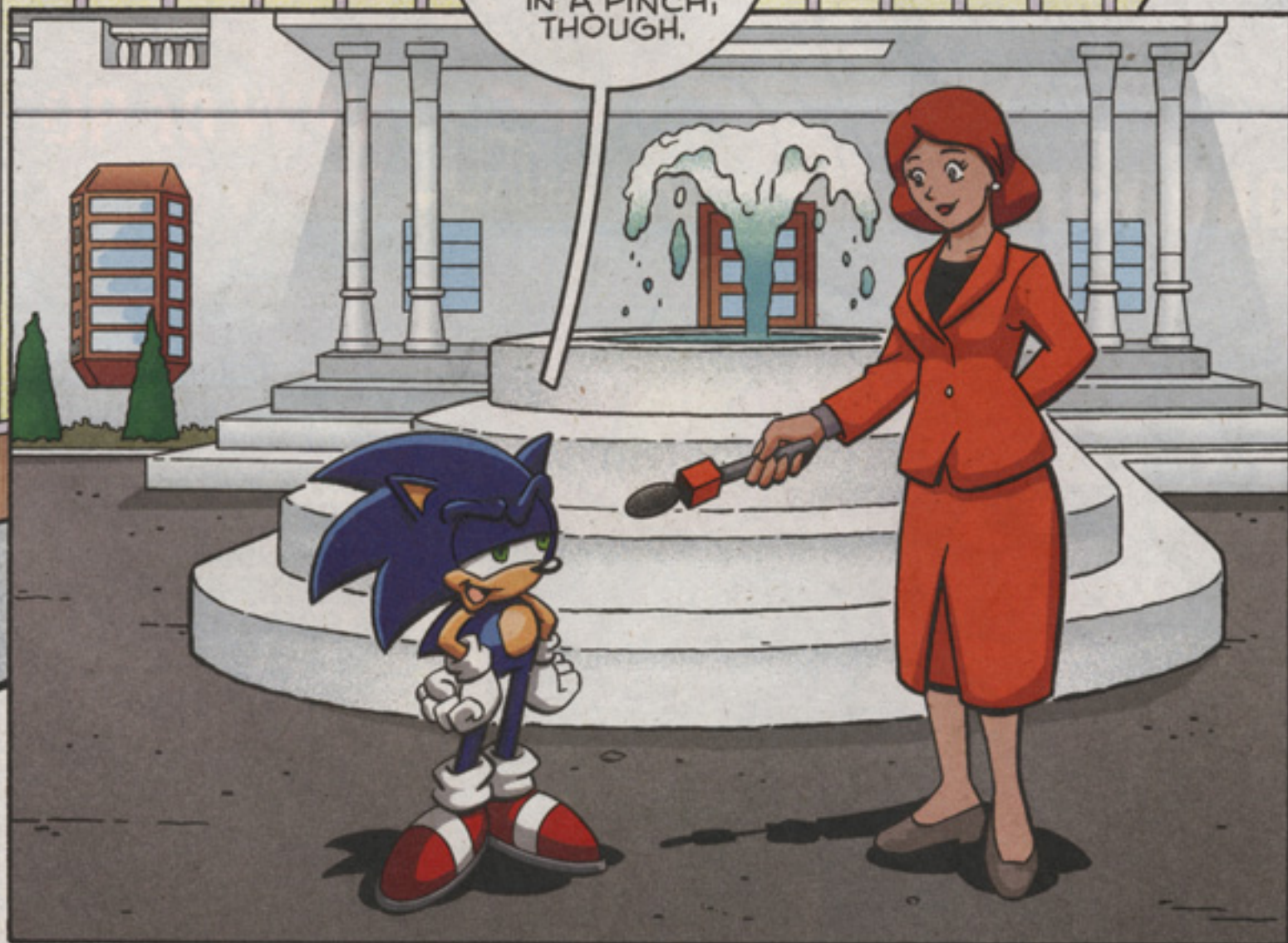




AND FINALLY
TONIGHT:
A FOLLOW-UP
TO TODAY'S
STRANGE EVENTS.
A SHOW OF SELFLESS
HEROISM PROVED
SONIC TO BE THE
REAL HEDGEHOG AND
EXPOSED THE MULTI-
COLORED FAKES FOR
WHAT THEY WERE.

I HAD
A CHANCE
TO CATCH UP
WITH SONIC
AFTER HIS
VICTORY.

AW, IT
WASN'T
ANYTHING.
I DO WANT TO
THANK MY
FRIENDS FOR
COMING TO
HELP ME OUT
IN A PINCH,
THOUGH.





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